

## 11. ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to skin care compositions providing a method of enhancing the remodeling of age damaged and sun damaged skin in mammals  
5 utilizing an elastin peptide (EP) ligand of the general formula  $(GXXPG)_n$  and in particular the sequences of  $(VGVAPG)_n$ , and/or  $(GVAPGV)_n$ , and/or  $(VAPGVG)_n$  and/or  $(APGVGV)_n$  and/or  $(PGVGVA)_n$  and/or  $(GVGVAP)_n$  and a galactosugar which modulates the effect of the elastin peptide ligand(EP) on its lectin the Elastin-Binding Receptor (EBR).

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A is a peptide-forming residue of L-alanine;

G is a peptide-forming residue of glycine

P is a peptide-forming residue of L-proline

V is a peptide-forming residue of L-valine

15 X is a peptide-forming residue of a single unspecified amino acid

Peptide representations in this application conform to the standard practice of writing the  $\text{NH}_2$ -terminal amino acid residue at the left of the formula and the  $\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ -terminal amino

20 acid residue at the right.